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Mobile Breath Testing Vehicle (MBTV) Press Release

The Columbus Division of Police is proud to present the newest piece of equipment to combat impaired driving. The new Mobile Breath Testing Vehicle (MBTV) is now operational. Feel free to come take a look at the MBTV, which will be on display this Friday, May 14, 2021, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Columbus Police Department Training Academy located at 1000 N. Hague Ave.

The MBTV contains an evidentiary breath testing instrument and will respond roadside for officers to obtain a breath test. There will be no need for officers to transport the impaired driver to an alternate test site. This will be extremely beneficial to patrol and cut down the time an officer is tied up on an impaired driving arrest. This vehicle will be operated by one of our Driving Impaired Criminal Enforcement (DICE) officers, who is also able to assist with blood search warrants when needed. Officers will be available for interviews during the display of the MBTV.

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